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Sir:

In Reply to the Office Action mailed November 4, 2005, please amend the application as set forth below. A Petition for a Two-Month Extension of Time accompanies this Reply.